



Popsicle Stick Graffiti Fence

Preface

When I was younger I also worked as a painter in the graffiti scene. That's what every cool kid did in the 90'. I found the tutorial [Graffiti Crafting # 1 - Learn How To Make A Popsicle Stick Graffiti Picket Fence](#) on the Internet and had to rebuild it immediately. I changed some parts of the tutorial so that I like it. This is how digital evolution works on the Internet. You see something, rebuild it and change it by a few points. The result is a variation on which people can then build again and in the course of the following years something completely new emerges. This is the simplest Internet rule that every child understands. Politicians still seemed to have problems with it.

Materials



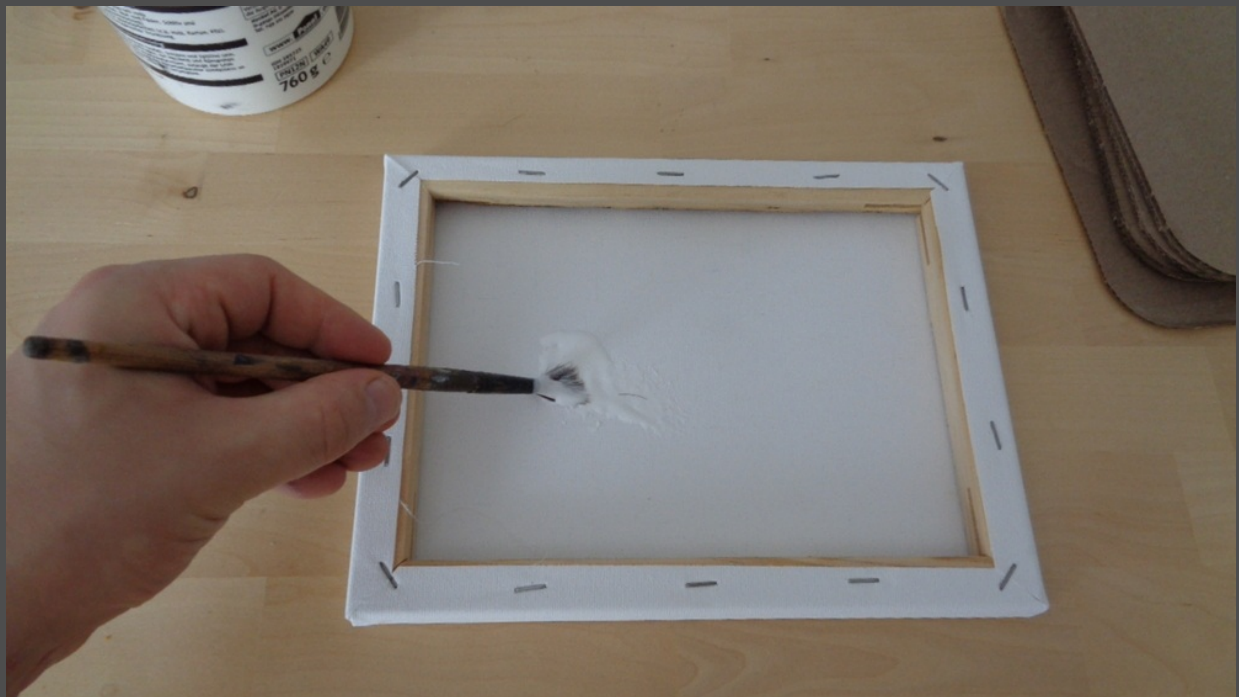
The best thing to do is to have a look at the photos and see what else you can use. Many materials were added spontaneously and had not been planned before. For example the model kit parts or the [scratch ice foil](#). There are no real rules and everything is ok. Be creative and takes this tutorial only as a rough orientation.

- Old Brushes
- Canvas
- Cardboard

- Black Ink Pen
- Acrylic Marker
- Wood Glue
- Sandpaper
- Scissors
- Popsicle Sticks
- Clamps
- Stones (small, middle)
- Acrylic Colors (green, brown etc.)
- Toothpick
- Pincers

Realisation

Since I didn't want to use wooden boards or thick cardboard as my base, I simply bought a cheap canvas and filled it with cardboard so that it became heavier. Therefore I brushed the inside of the canvas with wood glue and glued a cardboard on it. I did this until wooden frames and cardboard had the same height.

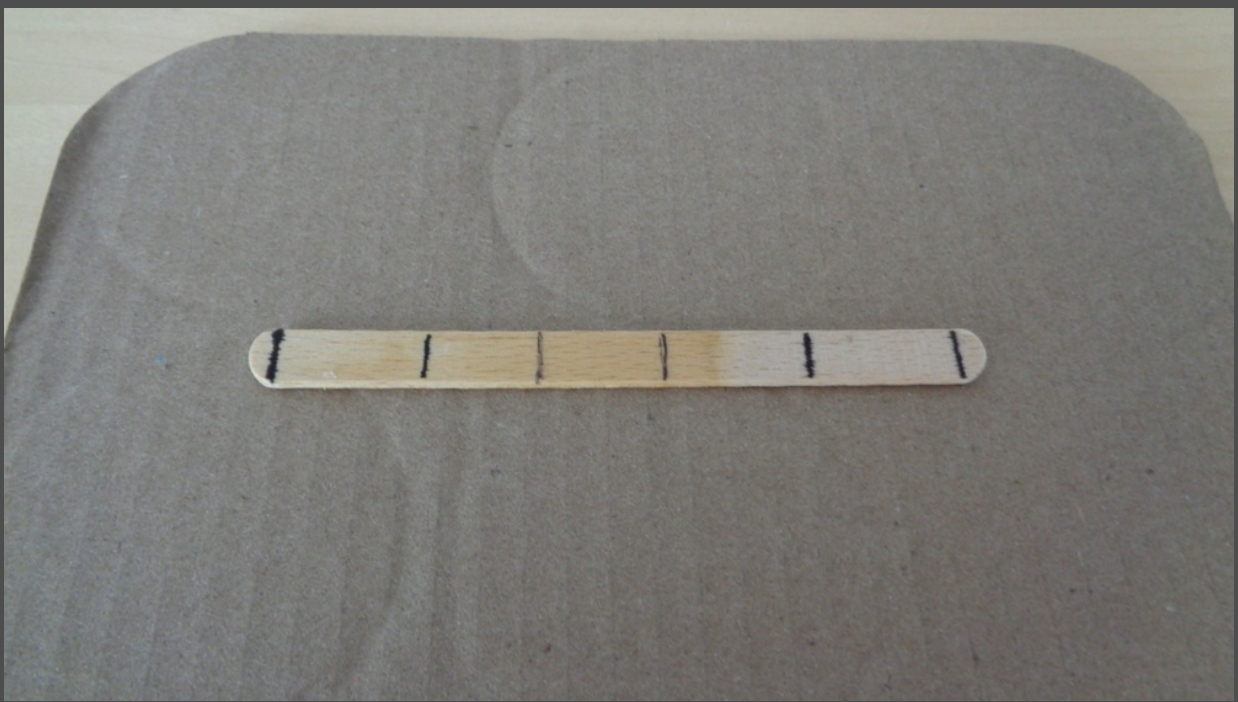
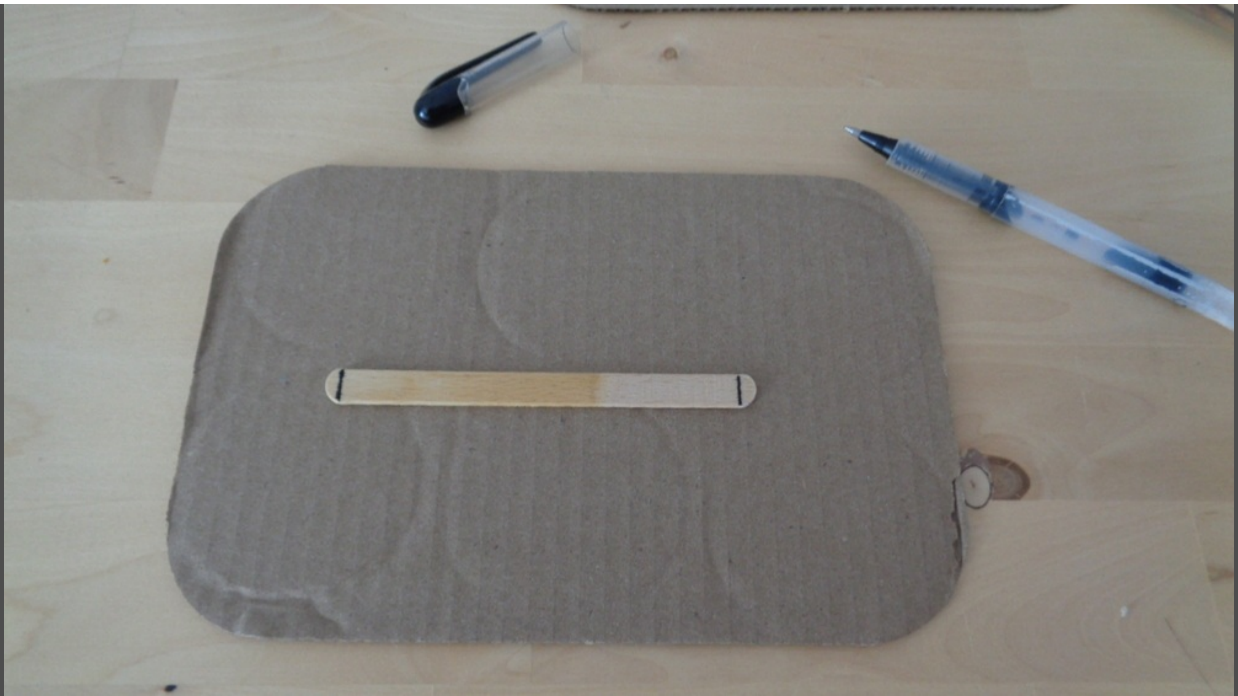


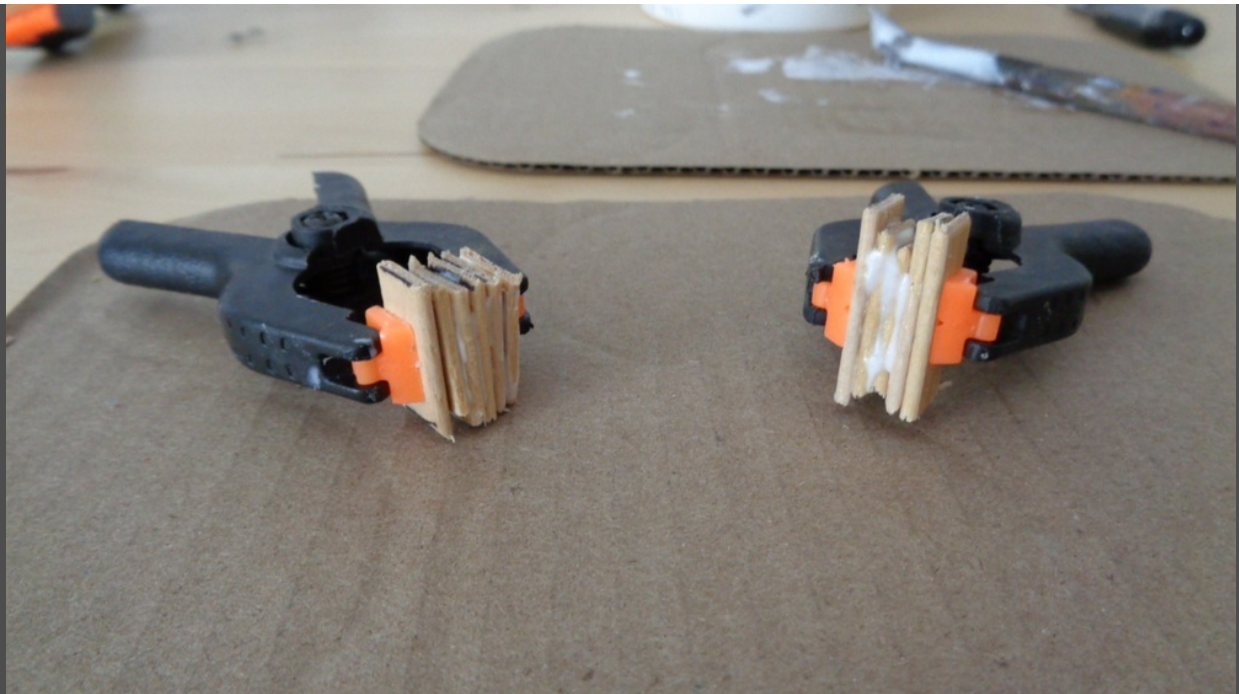


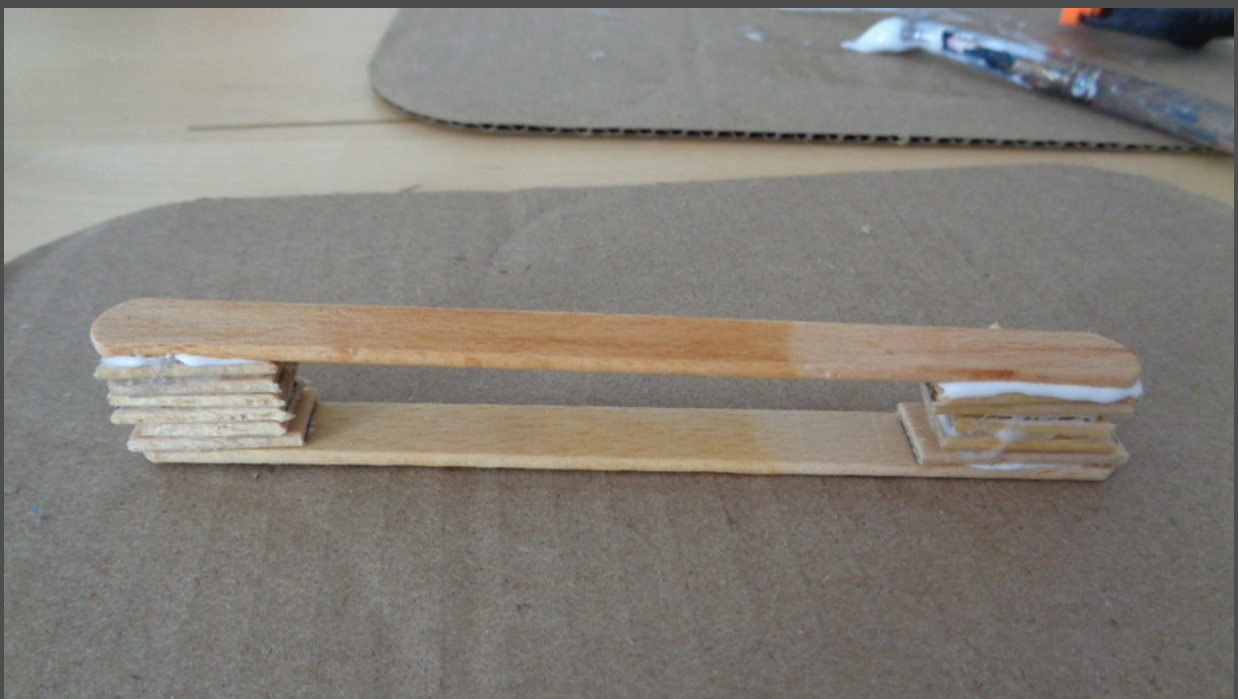
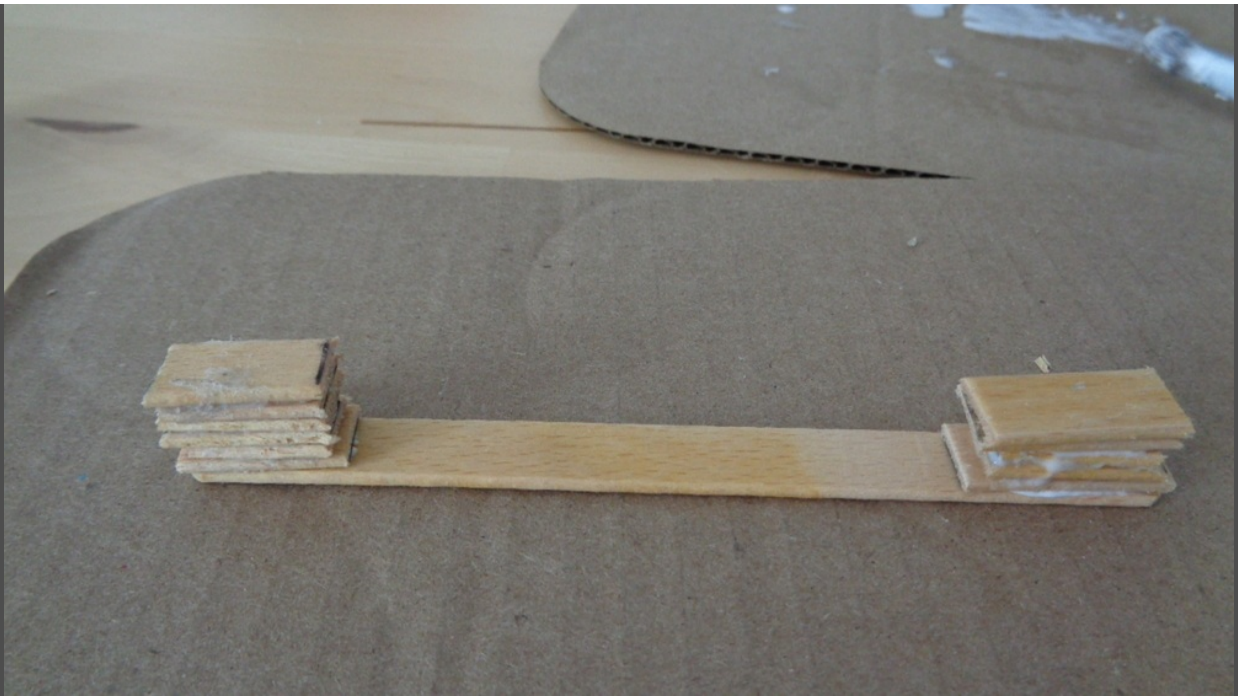
Then I built the wooden fence like in the other tutorial. That wasn't difficult and all you need is peace and quiet and a lot of wood glue. So that the ice sticks stick together better I put them with clamps to dry. But this is only optional and you can let it dry like this. Since I had miscounted myself I have to take a break and eat another ice cream. That was very terrible at 36°. When the complete fence was finished I glued it to the canvas and let it dry.

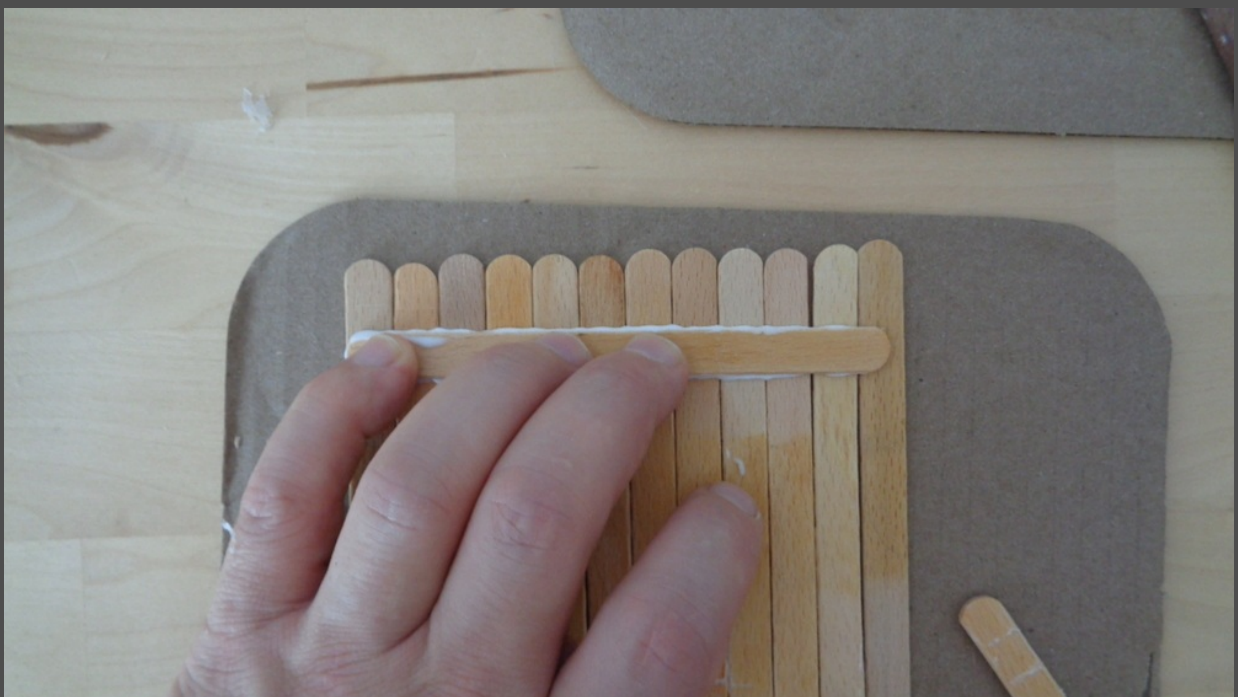
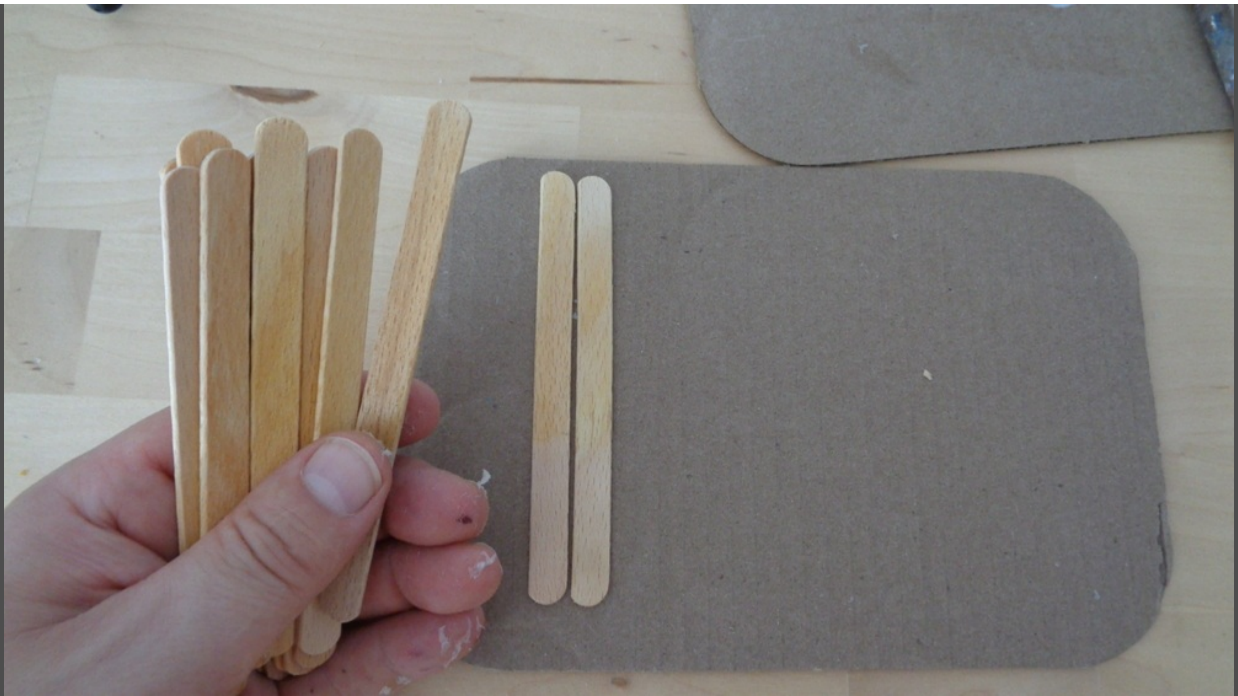


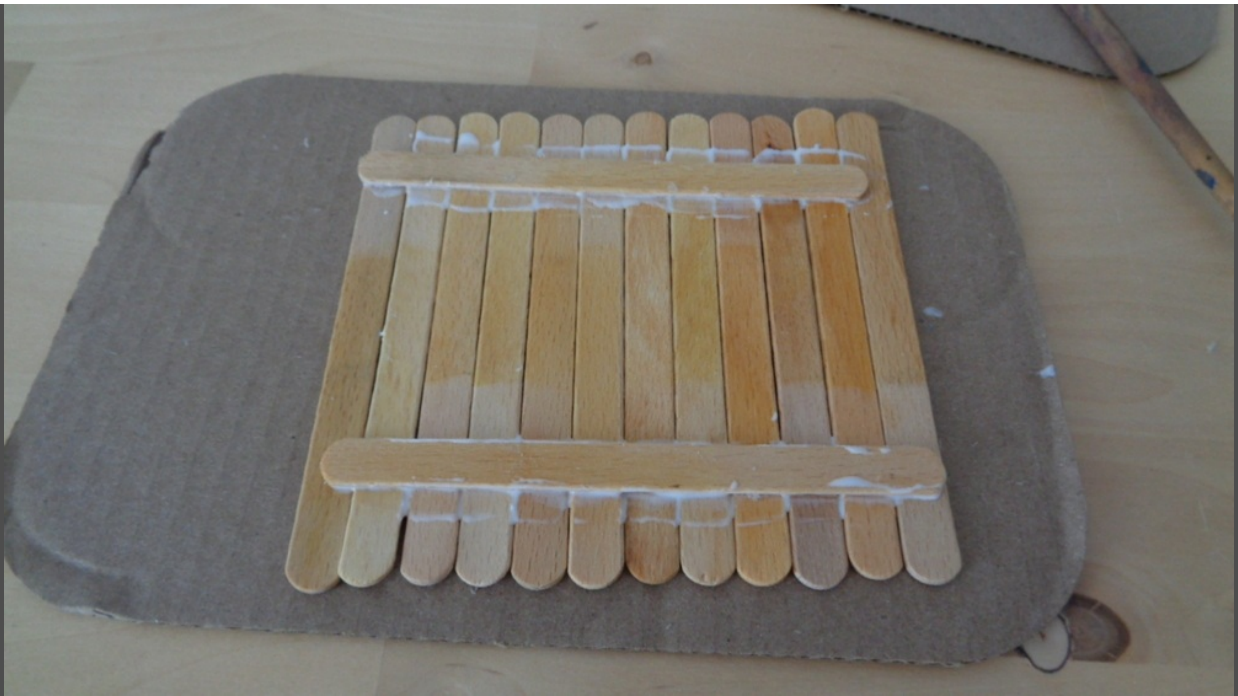


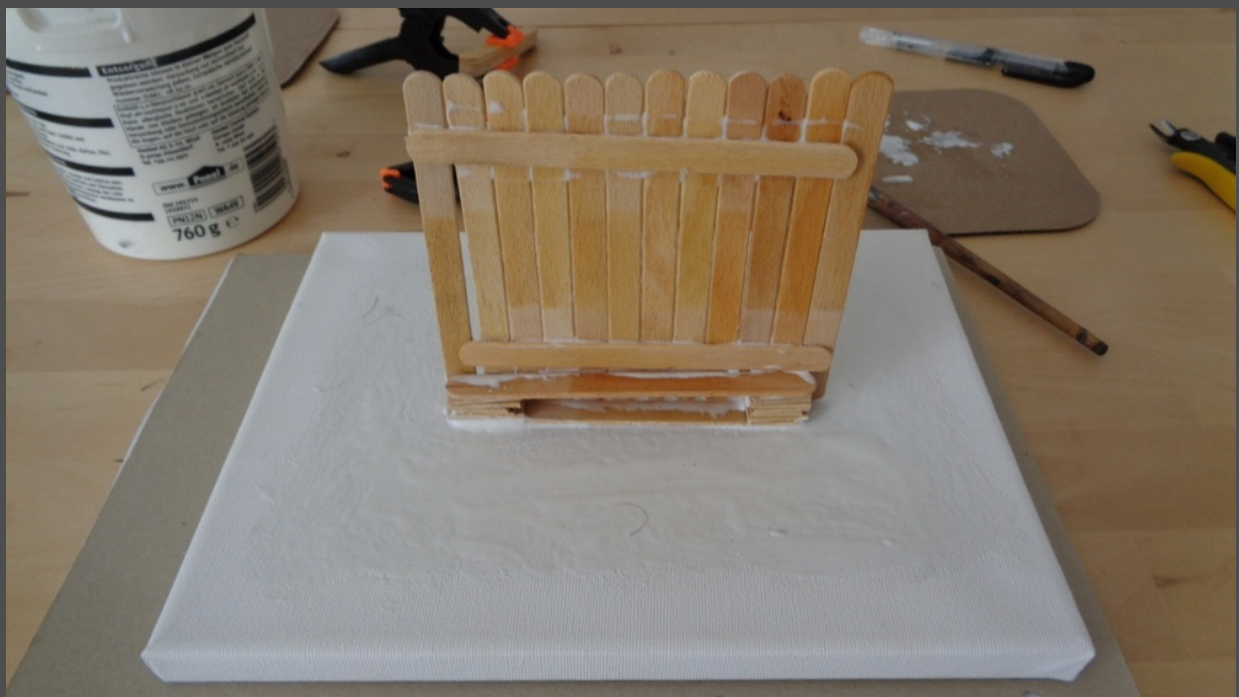
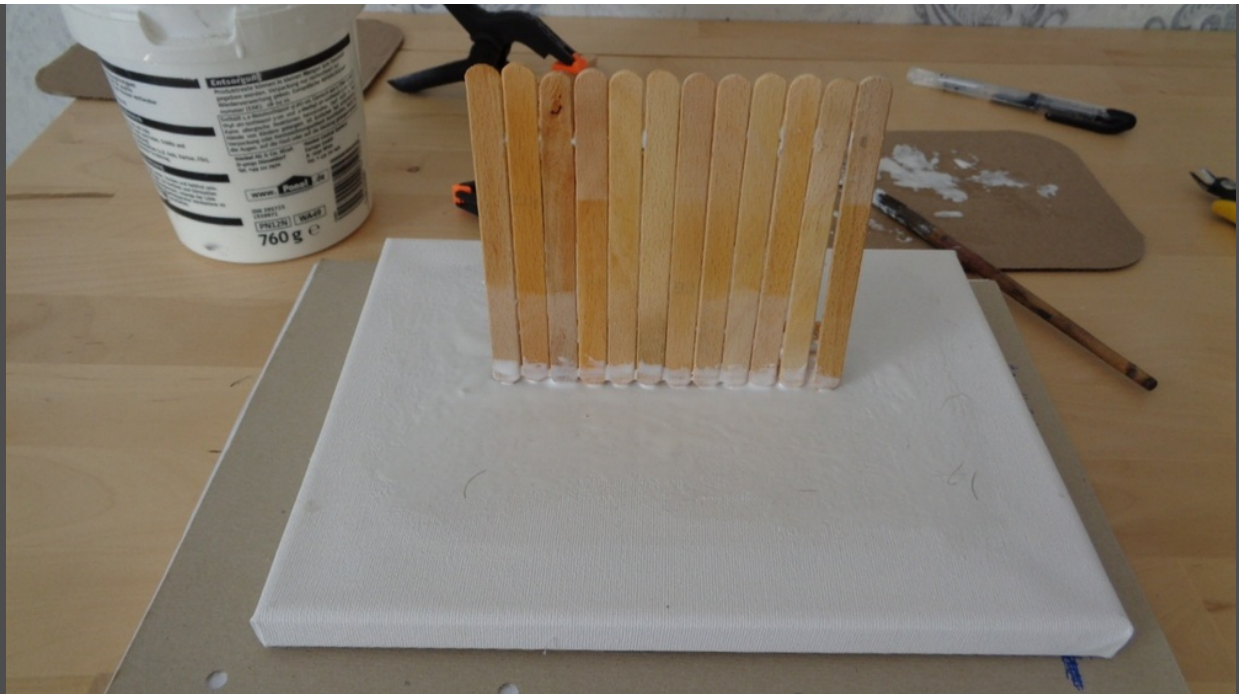




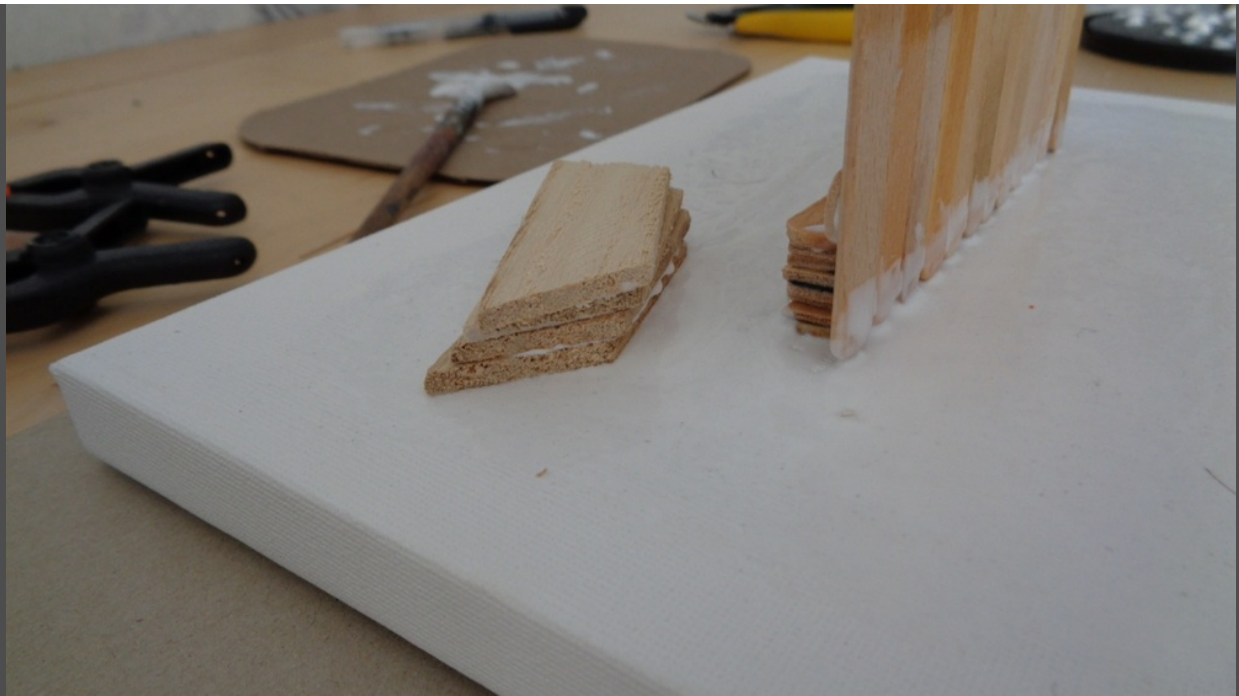


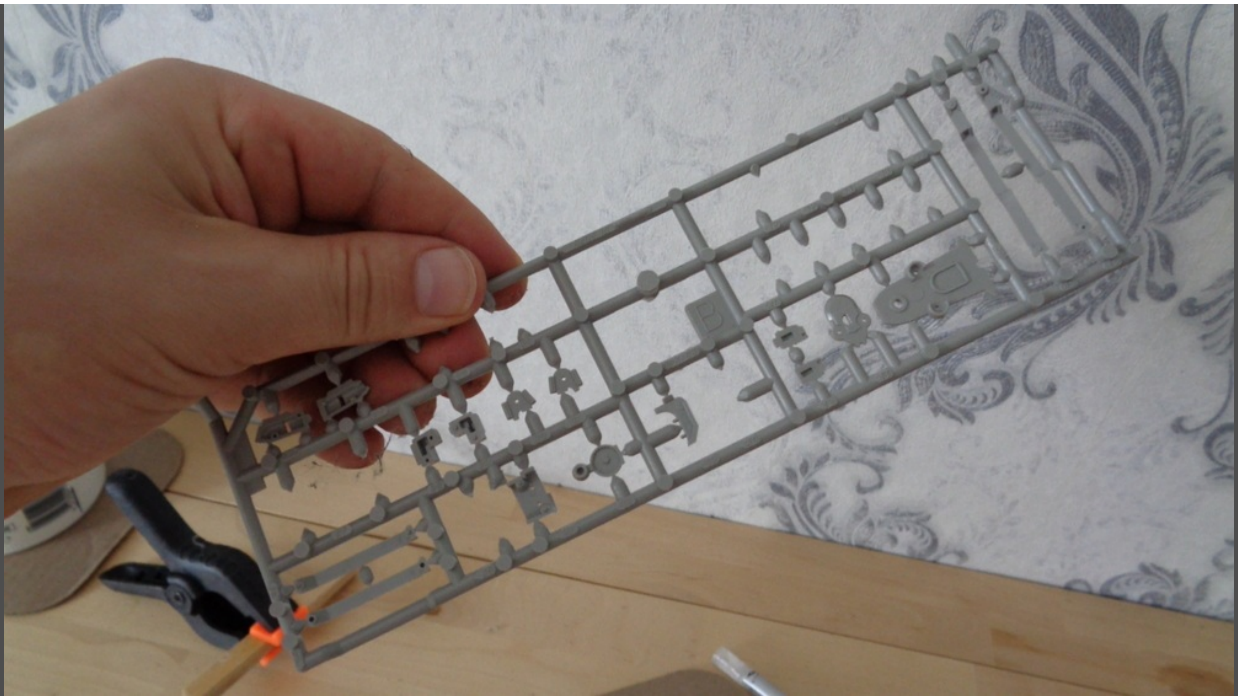




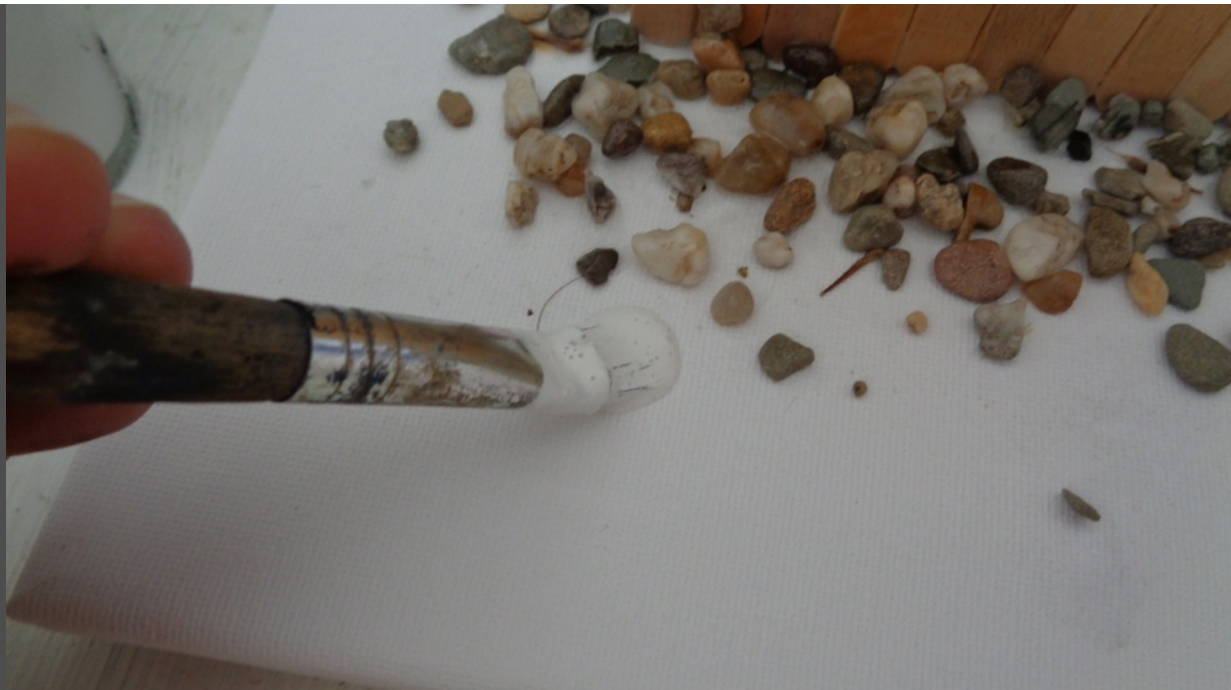


After that I started to decorate the surroundings. First I glued on some flat pieces of wood, which were included in the canvas. Next came some [sand](#) and [medium sized stones](#), which I had collected from a playground. You can also buy it in the handicraft shop, but it is too expensive for me. Spontaneously I made the [kit bashing thing](#). I collected the dark little stones from a parking lot in my neighborhood that I was walking in. Since I wanted to save a little wood glue, I used old white paint to glue the stones together. This holds up quite well. In the bag with the stones I found an aluminium foil of a scratch ice. This was later to be a torn poster. After all this was finished I put it in my work cupboard for 24 hours to dry.



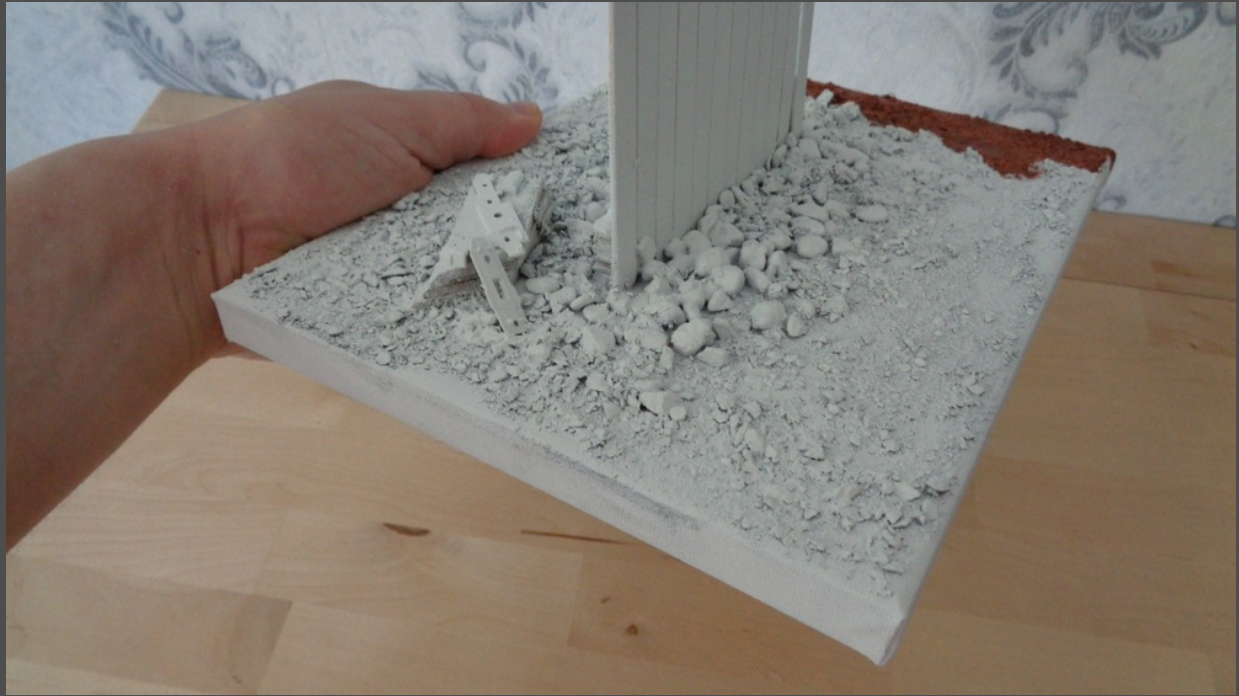








After everything was dry I could [prime everything](#) with the white primer. Then I applied the brown as a base. This should look a little near an industrial area in a desert. I then applied the details with other colours (a dark grey) or a very liquid colour, which you can get in a Warhammer shop. Just ask for the blood color thing, they'll know. Some places I brushed dry, what I learned through a video.













I've been reading myself all day. In between I went for a walk, played with my cat or did household chores. In the meantime I continued to work on the details and put it on the windowsill to dry. Since the weather was so nice and warm, it always dried very quickly. After that came the last details, the [Tag](#) and the poster. Here and there a little improvement and then the model was already finished.





Conclusion

All in all it was a lot of fun and I felt like I was a child, which is the first time that I really do handicrafts. Sometimes you just have to do something funny or nonsensical, because the graffiti fence has no deeper meaning. It just looks beautiful. It is also not perfect, which is ok. You have to like it, nothing more and you should have fun doing handicrafts. That is important.